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## CHRISTMAS

The season of good cheer and mys-  
tery is upon us. The spirit of Christ-  
mas is unlike the spirit of any of the  
other holidays. It is the Children's  
day and the nearer one can keep the  
child spirit and enthusiasm over the  
day in his heart the nearer one comes  
to living an all-around useful life.

The man or woman who has so far  
dried up in spirit that he does not feel  
a thrill of Christmas begin to grip him  
about ten days before December 25th  
must have something wrong about his  
mental or moral make-up. Circum-  
stances may not make it possible for  
that individual to give in the usual  
sense of Christmas giving but he may  
have the joy in his heart just the same.

He can wish good things for his  
friends and at least speak words of  
cheer and comfort to those less favored  
than himself.

In a sense every American can cele-  
brate the day this year with a breath-  
ing out of a wish (prayer, if you  
please,) for the end of the awful quar-  
rel of nations which is marring, and  
scarring and creating a spirit of hatred  
throughout the world. A little time  
given to the thought of the soldier  
fighting in the snow and mud-filled  
trenches, the wounded that fill the hos-  
pitals, the fast filling cemeteries and  
ever-emptying homes and the waste of  
energy and property across the waters,  
will put one into a frame of mind that  
makes him want to go out and do  
something for the peace of nations,  
and for the peace and comfort of the  
suffering and needy about him at home.

While necessarily Christmas is a great  
event in the commercial world the  
spirit of Christmas has become com-  
mercialized too much. The idea that  
you must give everyone who gives you  
and the painstaking care with which  
many make lists of those whom they  
"really ought to send something," and  
the burden this kind of Christmas  
strain places upon us is too mathemat-  
ical, cold and calculating.

Spontaneous gifts of love, be it noth-  
ing but the cheapest sentiment card, are  
more to be valued than the costly  
things that go without the heart of the  
giver. It is much easier to write upon  
this subject than it is to practice the  
thought but the Monitor believes that  
we should all try to cultivate the  
child's Christmas spirit when he re-  
ceives everything from Santa Claus  
and is not offended at Mary, Tom or  
cousin Dick, because he did not receive  
a tin whistle from each.

Rather a hearty "Merry Christmas"  
from a friend than a gold piece from  
one who gives because they feel they  
"ought" to do so.

Because the writer is in that spirit  
and because it is in our hearts YOU  
are extended here and now the Moni-  
tor's MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Monitor heartily endorses the  
Christmas club idea as advertised by  
the banks. Look into the matter, join  
and get ready for next year.

The Brattleboro Reformer pays a  
distinct compliment to Orleans county  
and some of our young people in an  
editorial squib quoted elsewhere in  
this issue of the Monitor.

The last number of the Literary  
Digest, one of the largest and most  
influential weekly magazines in Amer-  
ica, has a leading article on a coun-  
try-wide poll to the Republican press  
and party leaders of the nation. Ver-  
mont is treated as a unit in the article  
and that part of the article is quoted else-  
where in his paper. Vermont is  
strongly for Hughes as it was in 1908  
when Roosevelt crumpled Taft down our  
throat. The summing up of the entire  
poll of the Digest appears to give Roo-  
t the lead among Republican editors.  
Here is the result: Elihu Root, 249;  
Charles E. Hughes, 152; Lawrence Y.  
Sherman, 141; W. E. Borah, 108;  
Albert B. Cummins, 77; C. W. Fair-  
banks, 58; John W. Weeks, 53; W. H.  
Taft, 51; Theodore Roosevelt, 47;  
Gov. Johnson of California 16. The  
Monitor does not believe Root is the  
man who best typifies the rank and file  
of Republican voters today, despite  
the result of this poll. Cummins or  
Borah perhaps better represents the  
party today but whether either man,  
or any man from the section west of  
the Mississippi, can win from Wilson,  
granting that he will be the candidate  
of the Democrats, is doubtful, as the  
Monitor sees it.

## WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

## Worth-while Orleans County Products.

Orleans county is a section of the  
state which has always produced  
notable men and women. The rising  
generation there also gives promise of  
maintaining a high standing. The  
president and secretary of the honor-  
able society of the University of  
Vermont—"four state university," as  
President Benton would like to have us  
call it—come from old Orleans. M. P.  
Dutton of East Craftsbury and Miss  
Julia King of Barton. This is an  
organization composed of students who,  
on account of their high standing at  
graduation from secondary schools  
received scholarships from the uni-  
versity.—Brattleboro Reformer.

## Names C. A. Prouty for President.

"The Republican convention cannot  
afford to overlook Vermont, the eastern  
state that went Republican in  
1912. Let the Green Mountain boys  
dig up a favorite son to claim its  
rightful place."—Albany, N. Y.,  
Times-Union.

The time is right. Vermont has  
the man. A man in every way fitted  
for the place, and whose name is  
known the county over, Charles A.  
Prouty, late of the Interstate Com-  
merce Commission. His name has  
been included in the mentioned list  
whenever the situation has been ques-  
tioned at Washington for the past  
two years.—Morrisville Messenger.

## How Ex-Gov. Prouty Got Well.

Since the Hon. George H. Prouty  
closed his term of office as governor of  
the state of Vermont, he has been an  
almost retired figure in politics as  
well as in social events on account of  
ill health. This has caused him to  
visit many parts of our continent, as  
well as noted health resorts abroad.  
Finally choosing the haunts of the  
wilds, and being interested in a large  
tract of forest in the Maine woods  
near Jackman, he threw off the cares  
of society and state, retired to this  
retreat, put on his old clothes, and has  
assisted in building up mills, houses,  
13 miles of railroad track, and in get-  
ting out 30,000,000 feet of lumber a  
year. This, through reducing him in  
flesh has improved his health, and led  
him to emerge from the wilds long  
enough to welcome his appreciative  
home friends, with a few close ones  
from outside, with this most pleasing  
silver wedding anniversary.—Express  
and Standard.

## Caswell E. densed for Senator

F. T. Caswell has announced that he  
will be a candidate for senatorial  
honors from the north end of Orleans  
county the coming year. His excel-  
lent record in 1914 and 1915 in the  
lower house is ample proof of his fit-  
ness for the work of the state senate;  
he certainly reflected honor upon his  
town as its representative. He was  
zealous in his support of the main-  
tenance of the session of the legisla-  
ture, as the ferry act to give  
the people opportunity to vote on pro-  
hibition next March, the new school  
law, woman's suffrage, although de-  
feated, had his unqualified support.  
Mr. Caswell's position on all public  
questions warrants the support of his  
town and county, regardless of their  
political faith, for he has shown him-  
self the representative of the people,  
rather than any faction. His record in  
his home village and town can but  
weld together, for his support, those  
who have known him as a friend and  
neighbor for many years.—Stanstead  
(P. Q.) Journal.

## Vermont and the Presidency.

In Vermont, Justice Hughes is the  
first choice of three journals; Sena-  
tor Weeks the first choice of two and  
the second of three; Mr. Root the  
second of three and the first of one.  
Others named are Senator Cummins,  
Senator Borah, ex-Senator Burton, and  
Colonel Roosevelt.

Justice Hughes is mentioned first by  
the editor of the Bellows Falls Times,  
who classes himself with the Republi-  
cans, but gives as his second choice  
President Wilson. The tariff is to be  
the chief issue of the campaign accord-  
ing to this journal, and the like opinion  
is voiced by the Rutland Herald, the  
Brattleboro Phoenix, and others. The  
tariff is mentioned also by the Rut-  
land News which subjoins "business  
common sense" and a wise attitude  
toward legitimate big business, includ-  
ing the railroads. The Middlebury  
Reformer sees the need of adequate  
protection and abolition of war taxes,  
the Bennington Banner also asks for  
a protective tariff and, in addition, a  
credible foreign policy and less  
talk and more accomplishment. The  
editor of the Barton Monitor sums up  
his platform ideas under the loop of a  
comprehensive P as follows:

Prohibition  
Profraternity  
Profluency  
Proindustry

As to the status of the Progressive  
party, some editors of the Green Moun-  
tain state consider that the days of its  
independence are over and that its  
members are coming back home to the  
parental roof of Republicanism as fast  
as they can. But others are not so  
sure. Thus the Enosburg Standard  
and St. Johnsbury Republican note  
that the Progressives are still inde-  
pendent, but that they would probably  
unite for Hughes if the regulars take a  
firm advanced stand on public ques-  
tions as they have always been expect-  
ed to do. It is doubtful whether the  
Monitor will have a separate ticket, says  
the Rutland News, which adds that in  
any case it can command only negligi-  
ble independent support because most of  
the Progressives will return to the Re-  
publican party, while a smaller portion  
will rejoin the Democratic organiza-  
tion. In this connection the Benning-  
ton Banner says that it must be  
remembered that a considerable per-  
centage of a Progressives in New  
England, at least, came from the  
Democratic party and will likely  
return to it.—Literary Digest.

His Plea for Mercy.

"Young man," said the magistrate  
severely, "the assault you have com-  
mitted on your poor wife was most  
brutal. Do you know or any reason  
why I should not send you to prison?"  
"If you do, your honor," replied the  
prisoner at the bar hopefully, "it will  
break up our honeymoon."

## STATE NEWS

## City of Rutland Sued for \$13,000 by State.

Papers have been served on the city  
of Rutland and Will L. Davis as  
treasurer, in which the state of Ver-  
mont, by an action in both general and  
special assumpsit, seeks to recover  
\$13,000, the amount of money claimed  
to have been paid over to the city by  
the liquor dealers in the city in pay-  
ment for their licenses. In the action  
the state is represented by Attorney-  
General Herbert G. Barber of Brattle-  
boro and State's Attorney C. V. Poulin  
of Rutland, City Attorney Walter S.  
Fenton will represent the city. The  
suit is the result of an attempt by the  
liquor license commissioners, Charles  
H. Harrison, P. H. Burnham and  
James O'Brien, and the liquor licensees  
to turn over some of the liquor money  
into the city treasury and keep within  
the law, which was changed four years  
ago so that all revenue from the li-  
cense money is turned over to the city  
of the state. The city has forwarded a  
check of \$10,000 to the state treasurer  
claiming this was the amount received  
by him for the liquor licenses given  
out, but it is said this check has never  
been cashed.

For the last few years license fees  
have been as follows: First class,  
\$900; second class, \$1,200; third class,  
and seventh class \$400. The license  
board this year fixed the fees as fol-  
lows: First class, \$800; second class  
\$800; third class, \$200 and seventh  
class, \$150. As near as can be learned  
these men paid the license fee as set  
by the local commissioners and the  
liquor licensees to the city of Rut-  
land a bonus, representing the differ-  
ence between the total license fees of  
1915 and 1914, thus making a present  
of the city of \$2,750. This money  
came into the city treasury as follows:  
From eight first-class licenses, \$800;  
from four second-class licenses, \$1,600;  
from one third-class license, \$150; and  
from one seventh-class license \$50.

## State Boys' Conference.

The 6th annual conference of Older  
Boys of Vermont will be held at Rut-  
land, Jan. 14-16. It will begin with the  
supper session on Friday evening.  
Saturday will be filled with addresses,  
group conferences, recreational period,  
and an attractive evening program.  
On Sunday morning the conference  
speakers will give addresses at the  
church services. In the afternoon  
there will be a decision meeting for  
boys, and the closing session will be a  
union meeting in the evening. The  
people of Rutland kindly offer free  
entertainment in their homes to the  
delegates, who must be boys who have  
passed their fifteenth birthday. Dele-  
gates are included from all churches  
Sunday schools, Y. M. C. A.'s, Boy  
Scouts, high and preparatory schools,  
clubs and similar organizations. But  
the delegates should be boys who  
would be interested in a conference of  
this kind, whose main purpose is  
instruction and inspiration for Chris-  
tian life and work by boys. The  
conference of the past five years have  
been attended by over 1500 of the lead-  
ing older boys of the state and a  
great number of them are now doing  
splendid work in their homes, church-  
es, schools and other places, because  
of the help the conferences have been  
to them. The singing will be led by  
Rev. J. Harrison Thompson, of Ram-  
dolph, and there will be other special  
musical features. The speakers in-  
clude most of the best known men in  
the United States, men who know boys  
and how to talk to them and who are  
always helping and inspiring them.  
Among them are: Albert E. Roberts,  
dean of the county department, Inter-  
national committee Y. M. C. A.;  
George J. Fisher, M. D., dean of the  
physical department, International  
committee Y. M. C. A.; Jared Van  
Wagenen, Jr., of the New York de-  
partment of agriculture; James E.  
West, chief Scout executive in the  
United States; Governor Charles W.  
Gates; and others to be announced  
later.

## Lectures on Preventive Measures.

The Vermont State Medical society  
has issued the following announcement  
concerning the plans of the American  
Medical association:

"No effort in the modern educational  
world better expresses the spirit of the  
times or deserves more commendation  
than the attitude of the American  
Medical association toward informing  
the general public along the lines of  
preventive medicine. The American  
Medical association has a clearly de-  
fined plan of systematic work through-  
out the United States and holds each state  
medical society responsible for the  
work in its own state. The public  
health committee for the Vermont  
State Medical society met in Barling-  
ton, Nov. 16 and outlined the following  
plan for the work in the state:

"A committee will be chosen from  
each county and city medical society,  
which will have charge of the work in  
that section and endeavor to come in  
touch with all local organizations as  
Granges, church societies, schools,  
parent-teacher associations, men and  
women's clubs, and the like, in out-  
lying or rural districts. The com-  
mittee will arrange for the lecture-  
or talks on being notified that such  
is desired, and it is earnestly hoped  
that every organization will feel that  
its work has not been well done un-  
less at least one of the public health  
lectures has been included in its pro-  
gram. The newspapers will aid in  
giving press notices of public interest  
and helpfulness. The University of  
Vermont extension course is hoped to  
be utilized, especially in rural districts  
and the committee expects to arrange  
a series of lectures, at different points  
in the state, by popular public health  
officials who will visit this state.  
Health problems form one of the  
greatest economic factors with which  
we deal and it is hoped that every  
physician will cooperate to further  
this great work and show the true spiri-  
t of preventive as well as curative  
medicine. Societies wishing  
to make arrangements for speakers on  
health questions may refer to G. G.  
Marshall of Rutland, L. H. Ross of  
Bennington, Grace Sherwood of St.  
Albans, G. I. Forbes of Burlington and  
F. W. Harriman of Montpelier."

## Record Sponge.

The largest sponge ever found came  
from the Mediterranean. It was three  
feet across and ten feet in circum-  
ference.

## MERRY

CHRIST'S coming inaugurated  
among men a new era of good  
will, and as a consequence  
throne are tottering, chains  
are loosening, prison doors are opening  
and practical Christian beneficence is  
flooding the world with sunshine and  
fills it with songs of gladness.—Rev.  
Dr. P. S. Henson.

HERE is that "glad tidings," that  
gospel of "great joy" of which  
the angel spoke to the wonder-  
ing shepherds—this announce-  
ment of God's love for man and man's  
sonship to God. And these "glad tid-  
ings" are for "all people," so the angel  
said. There is not a single soul to  
whom the tidings of Christmas come  
that is not assured of the love of the  
almighty and infinite Father.

REFORM ye, then—so sounds the  
voice of the Eternal Spirit, the  
power back of evolution—re-  
form ye, for the kingdom of  
heaven is at hand! So we may find  
ourselves to every task of reform with  
new hope and fresh enthusiasm and  
ring our Christmas bells again.—Rev.  
Dr. R. Heber Newton.

It may be that in every gift with  
which at this blessed Christmas  
tide we gladden our children's  
hearts we are the Magi again of-  
fering treasure to the Holy Child. We  
may make it so. But richer gifts than  
these will be required. Our endurance  
shall be our gift to him who gave him-  
self. Is there toil for us, that we  
may honor him? Is there self denial?  
Are there holy consecration and humble  
service, that shall make the world at  
last a spotless sacrifice to him who  
purchased it?

SO we keep Christmas because of  
its good tidings of great joy.  
The season of its occurrence is  
our ripened time. The north  
wind and the snow in that wind have  
made us what we are. It drove us to  
the heart, to the sacred fires of the  
inner church, to the building of the key-  
stone in the arch of our civilization,  
the home of the Christian man.—Rev.  
Dr. S. P. Cadman.

TODAY all institutions are be-  
ginning to imitate the wise  
men from the east, who  
brought to the Divine Child  
their gold and aromatic spices, their  
frankincense and treasure. Christ's  
estimate of the value of childhood has  
conquered the world. His thought of  
childhood is the very heart and genius  
of Christian civilization.—Rev. Dr.  
Newell Dwight Hillis.

MORNING, noon and night, for  
breakfast, dinner and sup-  
per, the first thing on awak-  
ing and the last thing on go-  
ing to sleep, every hour of every day  
of every week of every month of the  
year we want the spirit of Christmas,  
for it is the spirit of ministrations,  
of giving, of service, of doing for others.  
—Rev. Dr. Francis E. Clark.

AND did you ever think what a  
peculiarly blessed sound in the  
ears of those watching shep-  
herds of the valley of Bethle-  
hem was the announcement of the  
angels, "Christ has come?" Ever since  
the gate of paradise was shut against  
our first parents his advent had been  
looked forward to as the hope of a lost  
world.

STILL there is call for strenuous  
endeavor and constant fight  
against evils without and with-  
in, as though God would re-  
mind us that this is not our rest, that  
the true holiday (holy day, as it used  
to be written) is above at his right  
hand.—Rev. Dr. P. S. Henson.

## Vermont Notes

Mrs. Laura Cahill Bailey of Essex  
Junction, mother of Secretary of State  
Guy W. Bailey, died last week, aged 70  
years.

Daniel Worcester aged 82 years, who  
took the part of "Uncle Tom" in the  
first company which produced the  
drama founded on Harriet Beecher  
Stowe's novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin,"  
died at the Vermont Soldier's home in  
Bennington Thursday night. He was  
a native of Vermont, having been born  
in a log cabin in the town of Warren,  
August 24, 1833.

The general merchandise store of E.  
B. Dominique, the post office located in  
the store, and the storehouse of F. L.  
Joukison, Main street of Westford,  
were destroyed Thursday by a fire  
which is believed to have originated in  
the basement of the store. Postmaster  
Dominique had taken the office records  
and stamps to his home for safe keep-  
ing the previous night. The damage  
will be in the neighborhood of \$12,000.  
A volunteer bucket brigade saved  
adjoining buildings.

One Dollar on the Farm Worth Three  
in City

In the January Woman's Home Com-  
panion Robert Lane Wells tells us why  
the farmer's money goes farther than  
the salesman's or clerk's. "It is com-  
monly understood," he says, "that an  
income of one thousand dollars a year  
in the country, that is, on a farm, is  
equivalent to three thousand dollars in  
the city. I judge this is a fairly safe  
estimate. In fact, a good many farm  
families seem to have no income at all  
in the city sense. In the course of the  
year they handle surprisingly little  
cash. Their actual needs are few and  
plain, and are met in an almost direct  
fashion by good old Mother Nature.  
Our family account books, which have  
not quoted, show that we spent the  
first year about one-half as much for  
clothing as in previous years; only a  
little more than one-half as much for  
food; nothing for rent or firewood;  
practically nothing for travel or amuse-  
ment. We feel, though, that we ought  
to spend more on amusement."

## Another Extra Dividend

(The Third Consecutive Annual)

Following its purpose to demonstrate the "mutual" feature of a  
Trust Co., the management of The Burlington Trust Co. is pleased to  
announce that an EXTRA DIVIDEND, at the rate of one quarter of  
one per cent. per annum will be made on February first, 1916, in addi-  
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## The Trials of a Farmer Who Moved to Town.

In Farm and Fireside is the story of  
a farmer who sold his property to live  
in the city, because his city friends  
"wore good clothes, had money jing-  
ling in their pockets, went to the  
movies, belonged to clubs, and enjoyed  
a yearly vacation."

He found, however, that the city  
man pays dearly for these luxuries.  
"We came to know," he said, "that it  
was just as hard for the city man to  
get up at seven o'clock in the morning  
as it was for the country man to get  
up at five. Why so? Because he must  
not relax; he is ever on duty. He  
must smile at this person and that  
person. He dares not notice anyone's  
peculiarities, or oddities, or unreason-  
ableness. The result is he must find  
his relaxation in the evening; there-

## Daily Thought.

To talk in public, to think in soli-  
tude, to read, and to hear, to inquire  
and answer inquiries, is the business  
of a scholar.—Johnson.

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## JOIN OUR

## CHRISTMAS CLUB

Starts Dec. 27

In Class 2, pay 2c the 1st week, 4c the 2nd week, 6c the 3rd week, and so on for 50 weeks  
and we will mail you a check two weeks before Christmas for \$25.50.

Or in Class 5, pay 5c the 1st week, 10c the 2nd week, 15c the 3rd week, and so on, and  
we will mail you a check two weeks before Christmas for \$63.75.

## You May Reverse the Order of Payments if you Wish to Do So

In Class 2, you may start with \$1.00 the first week, and pay 2 cents less every week  
until the last payment will be 2 cents.

In Class 5, you may start with \$2.50 the first week and pay 5 cents less every week until  
the last payment is 5 cents.

## Should you prefer to pay an equal amount each week you can do so

In Class 50, the payments are 50c each week for 50 weeks and two weeks before Christ-  
mas you will receive a check for \$25.00.

In Class 100, the payments are \$1.00 each week for 50 weeks and two weeks before  
Christmas you will receive a check for \$50.00.

## Payments must be made every week or may be made in advance for any number of weeks

Can you think of an easier way to provide money for Christmas presents?

Join yourself—get everyone in the family to join. Show this to your friends and get  
them to join.

## Everybody is Welcome to Join

The Christmas Club opens Monday, December 27th, and you can join now.

Call and let us tell you all about our plans.

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